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OLD ECHOES.

You wonder that my tears should flow, In listening to that simple strain; That those unskillful sounds should fill My soul with joy and pain— How can you tell what thoughts it stirs Within my heart again?

You wonder why that common phrase So all unmeaning to your ear, Should stay me in my merriest mood, And thrill my soul to hear— How can you tell what ancient charm Has made me hold it dear?

You smile to see me turn and speak With one whose converse you despis You do not see the dreams of old That with his voice arise

How can you tell what links have made Him sacred in my eyes? O, these are voices of the Past, Links of a broken chain,
Wings that can bear me back to times
Which cannot come again;
Yet God forbid that I should lose

The echoes that remain. For The FREE Pages. Mexico Forty Years Ago and Now-Future.

The readers of my reminiscence will remember that not long since I said, that as the Mexicans are adverse to innovations and improvements, they were probably at the same stand point as when I was a prisoner of war in 1841 and 1842, but that perforce, since the Americans built railroads in their country they would have to advance in enterprise and energy. I was but a boy then, and had but little experience nor the opportunity to make many observations, but in my future numbers the reader will get a description of the life and manners in Mexico at that

I recently got hold of an article written by a correspondant for the "Texas Deutsche Zeitung," Houston, who recently traveled through Mexi it is the site—Hays—has my prefer-co. His observations are correct and ence as a location for the farmer who recently traveled through Meximents of them.

labor for that price and support him- readily to treatment. The contagiterritory extends from El Paso to MARTIN HINZIE, Southeast Corner Yucatan, and the climate and altitude diversified it can produce the most that this climate can ever counteract are the principal growths. Pine and greatest variety of vegetables, from coffee cocoa nut, sugar cane, all and vegetables of the temperate zone; countries. Those whose habits are

comparative short distance. The great high mountains there,

a temperate zone, or even tropical. Bananas are cheaper in Fulton market have grown up here. The lower New York, than in portions of Mexico

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tion, and are singularly free from ing counties, but hunters for large where they grow almost indigenous.

costs 80 cents and in some cities children and youth.

iron sells for \$80 per ton.

of Texas, there are often to be found north of the place the country is hilly, houses and yards are never infested. rich coal mines, yet a great portion in places mountainous, alternately One never sees or hears of a rat, of Mexico is bare of timber, and fuel beautiful wood and prairie, affording mouse, cockroach or other household is very high, yet stone coal is impor- fine stock and farming advantages. demon when any attempt is made to ted from England and costs in the city of Mexico \$24 50 per ton.

crusted sugar is imported and costs the Republic, yet it does not raise heat are more moderate than at points and never troublesome.

purifies the blood. so high, is really a problem.

This is an extract from the German traveller in Mexico and a good observ-

Now I will venture to give my prognostication of the future Mexico. Mexico in some portions is very sterirrigation she raises good crops in fer to gold and silver, but to other

minerals and stone coal.

SAN MARCOS. The Beauties and Health Advantages of a Lovely Texas Town-Material and Social Prosperity.

San Marcos, June 25, 1884.—San Marcos is my first choice as a place of residence, and the county of which

die out, under the influence of that

sovereign prophylactic, pure air.

the results of sleeping in inadequately lumber is bought from Eastern Texas ventilated houses and of eating im- and is cheap. Coal of good quality proper food. Nature is violated is brought here from the Rio Grande tropical, to a great variety of fruits with less impunity here than in most not only that, but often within a correct enjoy health, strength and elasticity of spirits, but many spend their lives without everthinking of diet, exercise and the laws of health, sufferchange the climate; these mountains ing the inevitable consequences. The may be snow capped, and were per-physical development of the young haps formerly of volcanic origin, yet people is, considering the latitude, descend to its valleys and you are in phenomenal, I have never seen manlier men, brighter eyes, clearer skins, rosier cheeks, white, teeth, feet more add to nature's charms, and partridges, But strange with all that the price light, steps more true, finer forms or plover, snipe, robins, cherry-birds, fifty northeast from San Antonio. dot water in his own pocket und calls of fruit and vegetables is very high. fairer faces than among those who doves and ducks afford fine sport in Bananas are cheaper in Fulton market have grown up here. The lower the fall, winter and early spring. tion, and are singularly free from ing counties, but hunters for large disease. There are good private game usually go farther in their Oranges and even watermelons are schools, which have assistance from search with camp equipage, prepared Eventually, no doubt, a branch road higher than in the cities of the United the public funds. It is to be hoped for one or two weeks enjoyment in will be built from the San Antonio that free public primary and high the wilds. Fishing is good in the there is plenty of petroleum, yet in question of their overwhelming ad- for not only are the air and exercise the city of Mexico a gallon of kerosene vantages for the great masses of the highly beneficial, but there is within points. Why it is that people do not pet?

ile, and especially in a great portion pleasant in their worst features as scarce of timber, which I think is the those east of us. Of course one has cause of such long drougths; yet by to stay in during a wet north easter, millomaize, a mild, bracing climate that their that a minimum of care and expense. Here are good water, shade, all the grains, people incapable of effort in this climate, but you will always observe that thrift, energy and industry joywhich is always short; but when the free from malaria, quartz pebbles, fully usurp the place of indolence as wind gets into the north, the roads limestone, iron, and small shells in intelligence is developed. Effort is the valleys. Labor is exceedingly cheap in Mexico, all she wants is American enterprise to cultivate some wind gets into the north, the roads limestone, iron, and small shells in the soil, and care will insure good the soil, and care will insure good directed to the best purpose in the establish a state-wide reputation as a learner. Good management is of her rich and fertile valleys and de-velop her mining resources, yet un-

self. He says that Mexico produces ous and infectious disorders, when cost. Ice is manufactured and deliv- Also in dairy and chicken farms. various fruits, because considering its introduced, rarely spread, or soon each at 11 to 2 cents per pound. All products that can not be disposed is delivered at \$3 to \$4 per cord. within a few hours. The manly strength and womanly Pecan, walnut, cedar, elm, hackberry, of its various States is so remarkably perfection of the young people show mesquite and several varities of oak

and delivered at economical rates. Bricks of an excellent quality are are sold very low, There is an abundfor building purposes. The courthouse, new jail (now building), college and shrewd common sense. and a number of stores are built of it and are handsome structures. There are great numbers and many

a day's ride, and closer, some of the San Marcos is situated on the finest scenery in the United States. On the whole tract of the railroad undulating, and commanding a dis-insects and vermin are rare. All troufrom the city of Mexic to the frontier
Marcos and Blanco rivers. To the least care, and where this is taken Commencing at the town with an prevent them, and they are, at the that water is scarce away from the I thought you went out there to s elevation of 700 to 800 feet above the worst, very scarce. The hunter now streams, but tanks and cisterns can tle. level, an altitude of 1300 to 1500 feet and then sees a rattler, centiped or be made to avail by the stock-raiser Sugar cane grows luxuriantly in is reached in a day's ride. The air scorpion in the wild mountain regions. at little expense, and the artesian and

some portions of Mexico, yet loaf or is pure, dry and bracing. It is per- There are some flies and musquitoes, driven well will overcome this local fect. I know of nothing more the former having come with neglect difficulty. The country was formerinvigorating and delicious than the and the latter with foliage and unpro- ly subject to severe droughts, but more than in New York. Cotton can cedar perfumed breath of these hills. tected cisterns. In most localities, owing to the increased growth of how? be raised in many of the States of During the summer the extremes of however, these pests are rarely seen timber, and other causes known or enough to supply its own manufac cast and north, and the intensity is The lands, both valley and upland, more ample and uniform. Lands that the farmers in Dakota were plow greatly mitigated by the dryness of are exceedingly productive. In dry are rapidly enhancing in value ing. the atmosphere and the fresh, cool seasons good cultivation insures from The wild grass pasture lands are be-How a peon (farm hand), can live breezes. The mornings, afternoons one-fourth to a half crop, a full yield ing laid out in small farms, and the on four dollars wages per month, only and nights are invariably cool, cover being one to two bales lint cotton long-horns are going to the setting consupation, dys.

pepers. bestifully simulates the kitchest and one fourth bushel of beans, with always refreshing. In the winter the to seventy-five bushels of corn, fifty on cultivated grasses and farm propers and this will rapidly in all the other articles of merchandise inflamation of the lunger. inflamation of the lungs occasionally thirty bushels of wheat, rye, barley, population and values. The ground among those who are careless in etc., in proportion. Sorghum pro which formerly produced, every three Wheat is easily raised in some per-exposing thereselves without sufficient duces two to three crops, and all or four years-subject to the vicissimental or physical, the seasy and se tions and yields well, yet a barrel of clothing; but pneumonia is rarer here forage plants, alfalfa clover, millet, tudes of destructive winters, folsource of renewed flour costs \$20 in the City of Mexico. than in any country east. There are grasses, etc., grow finely and yield lowing periods of drouth-a beef or hour costs \$20 in the City of Mexico.

Irish potatoes in some regions grow many here who have entirely recove heavily. There is no such thing as cow and ealf worth \$20 to \$30, will using !

Irish potatoes in some regions grow ered from diseases of the lungs, scientific farming in this country, but now produce manifold values in farm.

Snow poings, and ye almost wild, or at least want little When the invalid comes in time and intelligence and industrious cultiva- products and live stock as well. In cultivation, yet the steamer on which leads an active outdoor life a cure is tion always brings a good crop, say other words, when Hays county rids Reston Secretary.

Order of Chosen Priceds, Basil Deliver, C. C.

After Heaten, Secretary.

One bale to the acre and thirty-five herself of the long-horn and the big cotton seed oil mill, a fine juil burst of the bursters and this cure is permanent if the bursters, shell believe, The break and Tuestan.

One bale to the acre and thirty-five herself of the long-horn and the big cotton seed oil mill, a fine juil burst of the burst of

Mexico could raise hogs easily, but a higher and dryer climate. One Season before last thousands of acres farm products but of her stock-raise Mexico could raise hogs easily, but they have an inferior breed, and the whole object seems to be to fatten so much as to produce the greatest quantity of lard, for nearly everything they cook swims in lard and is terribly seasoned with red pepper.

This is an extract from the German make they have an inferior breed, and the whole object seems to be to fatten so much as to produce the greatest quantity of lard, for nearly everything they cook swims in lard and is terribly seasoned with red pepper.

This is an extract from the German make they have an inferior breed, and the can not safely return to the climate. One can not safely return to the climate in which the disease originated. Parties in search of health can make excursions in to the adjoining counties the average yield was a half bale to the acre. A crop of a bale and a half the acre. A crop of a bale and a half to the acre was picked on a rocky hill farm near town, and one corn crop was seventy-five bushels to the acre. The raiser of fine stock here will only make the cannot safely return to the climate produced two bales of lint cotton of the best staple. Last season was dry and the crops were cut short but the average yield was a half bale to the acre. A crop of a bale and a half trotter will claim the blue ribbon. The raiser of fine stock here will only make the cannot safely return to the climate produced two bales of lint cotton of the best staple. Last season was dry and the crops were cut short but the average yield was a half bale to the acre. A crop of a bale and a half trotter will claim the blue ribbon. The raiser of fine stock here will only make the crops were cut short but the average yield was a half bale to the acre. A crop of a bale and a half trotter will claim the blue ribbon. The raiser of fine stock here will only any and the crops were cut short but the average yield was a half bale to the acre. A crop of a bale and a half trotter will claim the blue ribbon. The raiser of fine stock here will only any and the crops were cut short part of the time, and ride, as it suited Agricultural machinery is extensively draft, harness and saddle horses rais-them, sleep in a tent, and hunt or fish used. The fences are made of stone ed here can be marketed at high

known and overlooked. I do not refer to gold and silver but to other A half mile from the court-house mules, asses, sheep and Angora goats. raise all his farm and garden produce the San Marcos river springs from The common varieties of stock are and have his own livery stable for the The Mexicans lack enterprise, mathe foot of a mountain. A miracle being rapidly improved. Cows from convenience of guests. A well-kept thoroughbred bulls fetch from \$50 to house would be full the year round. chinery and agricultural implements, and however jealous the greater part of the Mexican population may be of the Americans, Yankee enterprise will push Mexico forward to a standpoint that the Mexican population are the thoroughbred bulls fetch from \$50 to upper edge of town, "bickers down \$150. A ranch in the hills and a large and scientifically conducted sanitarium would do well—more than well bring good health and a fortune. The heaviest twelve-months clip ever taker from a sheep's back was raised this place. The sitizang been would be full the year round. A large and scientifically conducted sanitarium would do well—more than well bring good health and a fortune. The heaviest twelve-months clip ever taker from a sheep's back was raised this place. that the Mexicans now can scarcely bold and uncertain stream, having its within two days ride of this place, head in the mountains of the same and here the facilities are even better. imagine, nor dare to hope for such name, to the northwest. Unlimited The endeavor only has been wanting. Great future prosperity as is in store to the northwest. Unlimited water power can be easily developed, and will be a source of great wealth. winning bonors on the turf, Ferg The water is clear, pure, and good Kyle, was raised in this county, and for all purposes. It is healthy and he is only one of a number of famous contains lime and iron. Waterworks runners bred here. Here are the supply the town and environs with water, soil and climate to produce an abundance for every requirement bone, muscle, sinew, wind and botat very low rates. Pipes and hose tom in absolute perfection, and this distribute it over grounds, gardens country will rival, yes, surpass, Kenand houses. In summer this water tucky in the production of racers and has to be warmed for the bath, unless trotters when people have the wealth the person is robust and has plenty to devote to such purposes as fine very interesting. I translate frag-ments of them.

In the following of rich blood. In winter it is warm stock-raising. Success will attend enough to be comfortable, the tem-reasons: perature the year round being 37 moderate capital even in raising fine warious trades will labor for fifteen cents per day and board them selves; no white man would be willing to labor for that price and support him. various trades will labor for fifteen cents per day and board them selves; no white man would be willing to no white man would be willing to cents per day and santation, and yields and vines can all be grown to perfection. The town could be lighted by vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and santation, and yields to be made in nurseries, orchards and vines can all be grown to perfect to be made in nurseries, orchards and vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and vineyards and vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and vineyards and vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and vineyards and vineyards and vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and vineyards and vineyards and vineyards and vineyards and vineyards, and in raising vegetables one class and vineyards and vine

> Society is good, of the substantial, conservative order, and strongly restock-raisers are people of the high est character and abilities, whose powerful influence for good is felt in the entire absence of lynch law, and brought here from other points and in the moderation and law abiding disposition of the community. ance of a good quality of limestone The chief characteristics of the peo ple at large appear to be kindness

San Marcos is a beautiful town of the "Gem of the International," and varieties of wood and song-birds to is immediately on that road-thirty miles southwest from Austin, and Freights to and from all points are for some dividends on us." delivering mails and daily papers. road, up the San Marcos valley, from that it lacked 5 minutes to 11. and competing rates to and from all push forward this enterprise one can not see. They could make the road-In the States Durango and Sonora southern slope of most beautifully The entire face of the country is bed and get Pierce and Huntington plied. wooded and picturesque hills, over highly picturesque, but the finest to iron and equip it. There are exthere are mountains containing fine looking a boundless expanse of views are on the watersheds of the cellent natural roads. After hard she asked. pasture and farm lands, gently day's ride. Annoying and destructive very rapidly. They are almost in your watch like me my dear ?" variably smooth and free from dust. Mud and dust as nuisances are at the with a yawn. very minimum here.

The advantages of this country would be complete with a sufficient population of the right character. A drawback may be found in the fact imagined, the rainfall has become

by the way. Invalids must live and sleep in the open air, and either ride horse-back, work on a ranchor follow some active outdoor vocation.

The winters here are not so me. The winters here are not so un-minimum of care and expense. Here Some claim that a hot sun renders

> largely wanting.
> San Marcos offers the finest oper doubtless take stock with reliable

> parties in such enterprises. Considering health, climate, society, fertile soil, the great variety of production, the abundance of wood and water, transportation facilities, and all features combined, this country is without a rival. GALVESTONIAN.

They had Met Before. New York Sun. A young man who had been following a lady through thirty-seventh street drew alongside of her at Fifth avenue, lifted his hat and observed: "Haven't I met you somewhere before ?"

Your wife is my cousin.

Watered Their Stock. In Peoria, Ill., was a stock company of three brothers, having a capital of \$20,000. The dividends were so large and the opportunity for increasligious. The leading bankers, mer ing the business so fair that one of chants, professional men, farmers and the brothers went to a lawyer and explained:

"Fritz und Jacob und me talk it all over, und we conclude to put some water in our stock. Shust how we should do it we dunno."

"How much do you want to increase your stock? "Vhell, aboudt \$10,000." "Well, well get some more certifi-

cates printed and I'll see to the nearly 2000 inhabitants. It is called watering. Just leave it all to me."
the "Gem of the International," and And as the 'partners remarked to each other about two weeks later: "How whas it dot lawyer put all

> A Good Conundrum. They were sitting in the parlor, and she was getting sleepy.

"What time is it?" she asked. He looked at his watch and replied The writer states that in Tuxpan
There is no longer, even in Texas, a
The inducements Italing, twenty-three miles distant, then, being struck with an idea, he and this will give closer connections asked: "Why is my watch like you, my

"I don't know." "Because it is very pretty," he re-

"And why is my watch like you?" iron ore, yet in the city of Mexico pig country, partly wooded and prairie Guadalupe and Blanco, about a half rains they are muddy, but dry out "I don't know, I am sure. Why is "Because it won't go," she replied

The young man went home.

Farmer John-"Why hello, George. So you are back from Dakota alrea

Why He Came Back.

Farmer George-"So I did." "You don't seem to have stayed very long.

"What started you out there, any "Well, you see, I noticed in a paper run by a Western land com

"I thought that ought to be a good place to settle, so I sells out a

"After I got there I changed my

"Weren't the farmers plowing?"